

ABSTRACT

**[0022]** A rolling element bearing comprising opposed inner and outer raceways positionable in a loaded position. A plurality of substantially rigid load bearing rolling elements are positioned between and in generally point contact with the inner and outer raceways when the raceways are in the loaded position. A plurality of compressible rolling elements are positioned between the inner and outer raceways and have surface area contact with the inner and outer raceways when the raceways are in the loaded position.